Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions

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Second Preparatory Meeting for the First Review Conference
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Consideration and adoption of a procedural report of the Second Preparatory Meeting

Final report

I. Introduction

1. Article 12 of the Convention on Cluster Munitions provides that "a Review Conference shall be convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations five years after the entry into force of this Convention" and that "further Review Conferences shall be convened by the Secretary-General of the United Nations if so requested by one or more States Parties, provided that the interval between Review Conferences shall in no case be less than five years." Article 12 also provides that "the purpose of the Review Conference shall be:

(a) To review the operation and status of this Convention;

(b) To consider the need for and the interval between further Meetings of States Parties referred to in paragraph 2 of Article 11 of this Convention; and

(c) To take decisions on submissions of States Parties as provided for in Articles 3 and 4 of the Convention."

2. Article 12 further provides that "all States Parties to this Convention shall be invited to each Review Conference" and that "States not party to the Convention, as well as the United Nations, other relevant international organisations or institutions, regional organisations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and relevant non-governmental organisations may be invited to attend each Review Conference as observers in accordance with the agreed rules of procedure."

3. In accordance with paragraph 1 of Article 12 of the Convention, the Fifth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention decided to designate Croatia as President of the First Review Conference of the Convention on Cluster Munitions and also decided to hold the Conference from 7 to 11 September 2015 in Dubrovnik, Croatia.

4. The Fifth Meeting of States Parties also "decided to convene two meetings, in preparation for the First Review Conference, of half a day each in Geneva on 5 February and 3 June 2015."

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5. The First Preparatory Meeting decided to change the date of the Second Preparatory Meeting of the First Review Conference to 24 June 2015.

6. Accordingly, the Secretary-General of the United Nations convened the Second Preparatory Meeting for the First Review Conference and invited all States Parties, as well as States not parties to the Convention, to participate in the Meeting.

II. Organization of the Second Preparatory Meeting for the First Review Conference

7. The Second Preparatory Meeting for the First Review Conference of States Parties to the Convention was held in Geneva on 24 June 2015.

8. Ms. Sara Sekkenes, Advisor at the United Nations Development Programme served as Executive Coordinator of the Convention on Cluster Munitions, participated in the work of the Meeting. Ms. Sheila Mweemba, Director of the Implementation Support Unit of the Convention on Cluster Munitions also participated in the work of the Meeting. Ms. Silvia Mercogliano, Political Affairs Officer, Office for Disarmament Affairs, Geneva, served as Secretary of the Meeting.

9. The following States Parties to the Convention participated in the work of the Meeting: Albania, Australia, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Burkina Faso, Burundi, Cameroon, Chile, Costa Rica, Côte d'Ivoire, Croatia, Czech Republic, Ecuador, El Salvador, France, Germany, Guatemala, Holy See, Honduras, Hungary, Iraq, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Lao People's Democratic Republic, Lebanon, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Mauritania, Mexico, Montenegro, Mozambique, Netherlands, New Zealand, Norway, Peru, Republic of Moldova, Senegal, Slovenia, Spain, Swaziland, Sweden, Switzerland, Togo, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and Zambia.

10. The following States that had ratified or acceded to the Convention, but for which it was not yet in force, participated in the work of the Meeting: Canada, South Africa and the State of Palestine.

11. The following States signatories to the Convention participated in the work of the Meeting as observers: Indonesia, Madagascar and the Philippines.

12. Argentina, China, Cuba, Gabon, Kazakhstan, Libya, Morocco, Myanmar, Serbia, Slovakia, Sri Lanka, Turkey, Yemen and Zimbabwe also participated in the work of the Meeting as observers.

13. The United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Mine Action Service and the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs participated in the work of the Meeting as observers, pursuant to rule 1 (2) of the rules of procedure.

14. The Geneva International Centre for Humanitarian Demining (GICHD), the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC), the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies and the Cluster Munition Coalition (CMC) also participated in the work of the Meeting as observers, pursuant to rule 1 (2) of the rules of procedure.

15. The European Union and Mines Advisory Group (MAG) took part in the work of the Meeting as observers, pursuant to rule 1 (3) of the rules of procedure.

III. Work of the First Preparatory Meeting

16. On 24 June 2015, the Second Preparatory Meeting was opened by Ms.. Dijana Pleština, Director, Office for Mine Action, Representative of the President-designate of the First Review Conference of the Convention on Cluster Munition.

17. The Meeting held two plenary meetings.

18. The Meeting adopted its agenda, as contained in document CCM/CONF/2015/PM.2/1. The Meeting also confirmed the rules of procedure, *mutatis mutandis*, as contained in document CCM/MSP/2010/3.

19. The Second Preparatory Meeting considered documents CCM/CONF/2015/PM.2/WP.1 to CCM/CONF/2015/PM.2/WP.4.

IV. Decisions and recommendations

20. The Meeting adopted its final document, as contained in document CCM/CONF/2015/CRP.1 as orally amended to be issued as document CCM/CONF/2015/PM.2/2.

Annex

List of documents

Symbol	*Title*
CCM/CONF/2015/PM.2/1	Provisional agenda
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CCM/CONF/2015/PM.2/WP.4	Draft Dubrovnik Action Plan
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The above documents are available from the Official Document System of the United Nations at http://documents.un.org, and the website of the Convention on Cluster Munitions, which is part of the website of the United Nations Office at Geneva, at http://www.unog.ch/ccm.